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Pictured above is Bryan University's Class of '51. They are, left to right:

Row 1: Grace Harer, Mrs. Lois Wonderly, Emily Nicholson, Margaret Hooks, Alma Austin, June Bell, Betty Hanna, Dorothea Nicholson, Ruth Sutton, Dorothy Krautter, Shirley Horn, and Roselyn Franklin.

Row 2: Charles Kirtley, Alda May Williams, Morris Morgan, Leslie Napier, Donald McClintick, Gene Witsky, Robert Davis, Edward Greenwood, Hugo Gingrich, Margaret Loftice, and Earl Williamson, class sponsor.

Row 3: Richard Maycumber, John Reed, Roy Clark, Leonard Meznar, Carl Wonderly, Joel Kettenring, Warren Purdy, Charles Taber, and Calvin Jaynes.

Not pictured are Don Anderson, Archie Keffer, and Lauren Hoyt.

## BRYAN SENDS DELEGATES TO COLLEGE CONFERENCE

"I believe that more than one-half the present sophomores will be permitted to finish their college work," stated Dr. Charles S. Adams, President of the America Council on Education, in his discussion of the recruiting of men students, at the conference of the Tennessee College Association in Nashville Thursday, March 15.

Some sixty college instructors and leaders, from the state, private, and religious schools of Tennessee, were present for the occasion.

Presiding over the program of the day was Warren F. Jones, President of Union University. Other speakers included Boylston Green, vice-chancellor, University of the South; Dr. John E. Ivey, director, Board of Control for Southern Regional Education, and James Buford, registrar, Vanderbilt University.

Dwight W. Ryther, executive vice-president and dean; Lloyd E. Fish, vice-president and treasurer; Norman

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## THIRTY-FOUR SENIOES FINISH BRYAN TRAINING

After the Eighteenth Annual Commencement June 6, 34 young people will leave Bryan Hill prepared to meet life with a thorough, Christ-centered college education.

The class of '51 is a cosmopolitan

group since the 20 young men and 14 young ladies hail from 14 states and one foreign country.

For 22 of the seniors, Bryan is serving as a stepping-stone to a graduate school, and next year will find 17 of these enrolled in some seminary.

Bryan has fitted these students for their chosen field of service as 19 will be graduated with a major in English, five in history, five in Bible, two in biology, one in Spanish, and one in mathematics.

Since 11 members of this class are married and 10 more expect to be married this next summer, it would seem that they have acquired more than just academic knowledge during their stay on the Hill.

The fact that 30 of the 34 seniors plan to spend their lives in full-time Christian service, with 15 headed for the mission field and nine for the ministry, proves that life in a Christ-centered atmosphere not only affects the present but often changes future experiences for many young people.

## DEANS' OFFICE OPENS

Located in the office formerly occupied by Professor Lloyd E. Fish, the Office of the Dean of Men and the Dean of Women opened the first week of the spring quarter.

Both Miss Kathleen Cowan, dean of women, and Norman Uphouse, dean of men, are now available at specified hours during the week and by appointment to talk over problems with the students.

With the new office, it is now possible for matters of counseling and discipline to be channeled into the correct dean's office.

Naturally, the deans will be primarily interested in those under their direct supervision, but with the new arrangement, each dean will be readily accessible to both men and women.





## *From My Heart to You*

As our Eighteenth Annual Commencement on June 6 approaches, my thoughts inadvertently go back to our humble beginnings when as acting-president I conferred degrees on the first class of seven seniors who graduated in 1934.

We were at the bottom of a world-wide depression, and only a few had the faith to believe in a glorious future for Bryan University. Even though I was one of those who were trusting the Lord to take care of Bryan's future, I little realized that 17 years later it would be my privilege to confer degrees on a class nearly five times as large.

Most of this year's seniors were babies or small children in 1934. They have lived in momentous times—a world-wide depression, the greatest of world wars, unsettled post-war conditions which make it difficult to plan for the future, and the present situation which threatens to end in a world catastrophe. These fine consecrated young people, who entered college four years ago with a class nearly three times as large, are to be commended for their steadfastness of purpose. They have met the challenge of today's uncertainties by serv-

## **BRYAN ALUMNI**

### **DONATE SHRUBS**

Colorful varieties of shrubs, purchased by the Bryan University Alumni Association as its 1950 gift project, have been planted near the entrance to the Memorial Chapel.

Lloyd E. Fish, alumnus of '35, made the selection of shrubbery and supervised the planting. Sixty-six plants, including thornless holly, Irish juniper, pink and white althea, arbovitae, and vari-colored azalea surround the chapel area.

ing Christ faithfully while preparing for greater service to Him.

Considerably more than half of the 34 in this year's graduating class plan to continue their education in some graduate school or seminary, and an even greater percentage have purposed to spend their lives in fulltime Christian service. At least a fourth of them will join the ranks of the 40 Bryan missionaries on the foreign field. All of them will be faithful witnesses, I am sure.

As I think of these seniors by name, and as I anticipate their future devoted service to Christ, my heart is filled to overflowing in gratitude to God for giving me a part in their training.

Each one of you who have contributed in any way to the work here on Bryan Hill has made an investment in the lives of these godly young people, and you are justified in rejoicing with me. "God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name." Hebrews 6:10a.

*Judson Rudd*

President.

## **TURN-ABOUT DAY**

### **DELIGHTS CO-EDS**

"What is it? What does it say?" A large crowd had gathered around the usual announcement of the minutes from the last student council meeting. But there it was—the confirmation of the rumor that had been recently circling through the halls of Bryan University. The first "turn-about" day in the history of the school had been scheduled—a day when the fellows took a back seat and watched the girls do the work. The date? Saturday, April 7.

The day finally came. The girls tried hard to remember to open the doors for the boys, or perhaps carry their books. The morning chapel program, too, was conducted by several girls.

Following dinner, the recent scene of a turn-about meal was quickly transformed into the scene of a gay turn-about party. Faithfully performing their new responsibilities, the young ladies called for their dates at the Octagon and Chapel dormitories, and escorted them to the affair. After the games and refreshments, Gene Witsky concluded the program with devotions.

Everyone enjoyed the change, but the fact remains that each was admittedly glad that it was only for a day.

## **STUDENTS WRITE COPY FOR BRYAN NEWSLETTE**

Realizing that journalistic experience is not only practical, but also of great value in improving a person's literary ability, several students have begun writing for the NEWSLETTE this year.

Working closely with Mr. Willard Archer, NEWSLETTE editor, Richard McIntosh, junior from Norwalk, Ohio, heads the committee of reporters who are now writing much of the material which appears in the paper.

Besides writing copy, a few students who have had previous training in journalism, are gathering practical experience through copy-reading, proof-reading, and rewrite, headline, layout, and make-up work.

## **CHAPEL SPEAKER REPORTS CHRISTIAN CONGRESSMEN**

At least 100 members of the 82nd Congress of the United States are Christians, according to evangelical leaders who were interviewed recently in Washington.

This was revealed in a recent chapel report given by Russell T. Hitt, news editor of *Christian Life* magazine and public relations consultant to the President at Bryan, who quoted from an article appearing in the May issue of the periodical.

One of the evidences of the spiritual interests of the men in the Capitol is the prayer meetings held each week in the Senate restaurant by both senators and congressmen. The speaker said three of the members of the Kefauver Committee on Interstate Crime regularly attend the Senate prayer meeting—Senators Estes Kefauver, Tennessee; Charles Tobey, New Hampshire; and Alexander Wiley, Wisconsin.

Senator Tobey, in a telephone interview with Mr. Hitt, stated that he believed in old-fashioned conversion—"on the basis of faith in Almighty God and the Lord Jesus Christ."

## **ENROLLMENT REACHES 238**

As the third quarter opened at Bryan University, Wednesday, March 28, the enrollment for the year increased by three, making a total of 238.

The three new students include Ernest Francis, freshman, from Griffith, Indiana; David Wisthoff, junior, from Neenah, Wisconsin; and James Harris, who transfers from Bible school for a liberal arts training, from Kalamazoo, Michigan.



## TABER TOPS DEAN'S LIST

Topping the Dean's List, which requires at least a 2.5 or a straight "A" average, was Charles Taber, senior, from Allentown, Pennsylvania; and Clifford Hanham, junior, from South Gate, California, rated a close second. Both headed the Dean's List at the winter mid-quarter, also.

The Honor List included the following according to rank: Lois Ardelean, Ernest Lee, Janice Brown, Carl Wonderly, Jean Mattison, Joyce Johnson, Suzanne Royer, Edythe Howsden, Fred Donehoo, Kenneth Kinsley, Richard McIntosh, Dolores Bushart, Joyann Conlan, Audrey Mayer, Margaret Hooks, Edythe Freeland, Mildred Mosby, Archie Keffer, and Dean Koontz.

## MUSIC SPICES

### SPRING SEASON

Under the direction of Professor Paul D. Stock, the University choir will present its spring concert May 10. Among the numbers featured will be vocal and piano solos rendered by Miss Charlotte Howell and Miss Lois Cartwright.

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Mrs. Howard Vos and Miss Betty Webber, instructors in the Music Department, presented a duo piano recital April 17. In their program were a group of Bizet numbers and the familiar "Sheep May Safely Graze" by Bach. One group of organ solos was added by Miss Webber, and the piano and organ were blended for the concluding "Introduction and Allegro Appassionato" by Schumann.

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In a sacred concert April 10, Al Zahlout entertained with his "Singing Violin." Great hymns took on symphonic likeness in the hands of this well-known Christian artist. He was accompanied by his wife, whose musical skill greatly enhanced her husband's performance.

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Making his third appearance on Bryan Hill, Robert Speaker, baritone soloist, gave an evening concert April 2. Mr. Speaker ranks very highly in the opinion of Bryan students for his artistic interpretation of both classical and semi-classical numbers.

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Polyna Stoska and Set Svanholm appeared in a soprano-tenor joint recital April 6 in Chattanooga. The performance of these two young artists provided an evening full of musical enjoyment.

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Uphouse, dean of men, and Miss Lois Weyhe, registrar, who attended the program, held a panel discussion as a feature at the regular chapel service March 16, considering the vital topics of the convention.

Among these, the need for religious training in colleges today was stressed. It was noted that the skepticism of the late 20's has given way to a genuine open-mindedness on the part of present-day students, who have a readiness to identify themselves with religion that was definitely lacking in pre-war days.

Sometimes in the night I hear a sound—

a far-off bell, a distant train;  
And I think, what will it be like  
when Jesus comes again?  
When we hear the trumpet's blow—  
will we know?

Yea, when that beautiful sound falls  
on the ear,  
I am sure our hearts will know and  
hear.

Where will we meet? In the air—  
That is all we know. And yet I think  
When we get to that place, it will be  
like home—  
Our hearts will tell us so.

When we see Him! Will we know?  
Ah, yes, our hearts will tell us so;  
And as we meet His glad embrace  
And see that dear beloved face,  
Our hearts will say "This is our  
Lord"

And we will be at rest.

—Kathryn L. Hollingsworth.

## PERMANENT STEEL STEPS REPLACE OLD STAIRWAY

Crowning the efforts of the construction crew during spring vacation, a new steel stairway now towers in the north section of the main building. With the use of an air hammer, the crew of approximately eight men worked laboriously tearing out the old concrete steps which had failed to meet the state requirements for public buildings, and replaced them with the new ones.

This, the first permanent stairway installation to link the ground floor with the top floor of the building, is composed of four all-metal sections with intermediate concrete landings.

Through this addition, a vital connection has been made with the recently constructed top floor section. There the masons have been working hard in an effort to complete the final

## FACULTY DISCUSSES TESTING PROGRAM

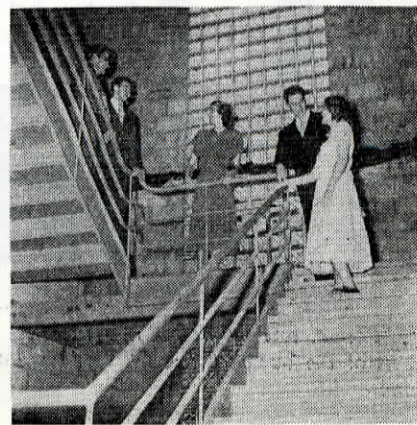
"A Minimal School Testing Program for Adequate Guidance and Effective Teaching" was the subject considered in a recent Bryan faculty meeting. Reports were given on the standard tests which are available for the testing of intelligence, achievement, personality adjustment, and vocation, and also on the important matter of counseling.

A committee was appointed which is to recommend a minimal testing program which will help the students to appraise their own abilities, achievements, interests, and adjustments objectively and realistically. Such a program would aid the administrator from the point of view of giving him the general level of ability or achievement in any of the subject-matter areas in his administrative unit. It would also let the teacher know at what rate her pupils could be expected to absorb her instruction and at what level this instruction should be pitched.

It was stated that the results of each test and inventory must be interpreted to each individual so that he will be better able to understand himself, more realistically to appraise his achievements, aptitudes, interests, and adjustments, and more intelligently to act upon his information.

Since economy and the lack of trained personnel make such individual counseling impractical, probably some type of group instruction will be set up which will make "mass production" possible.

partitions. As soon as these are finished, 12 more large classrooms will be available for use.



Students initiate the recently constructed stairway at the north end of the administration building.



## SENIOR TESTIFIES OF GAINS AT BRYAN

Joel S. Kettenring, president of the class of '51, writes the following on what he has gained during his four years at Bryan:

In a material way I have gained very little; however, sitting beside the house trailer in which we live there is a '41 Plymouth that is almost ours. The Lord bestowed upon me a wife here at Bryan, and I'm not sure under which phase to include her, but I think she should be classified under each of them.

In a practical way I have learned by the grace of our Father to get along with others in trying times as well as times of sweet fellowship. By being employed for construction work on the memorial building, I have caught a glimpse of the need and importance of having a finished product to present before the world for the glory of God. The opportunity for practical experience in song leading, church work, and organizational leadership have all given a fundamental knowledge for future responsibilities.

Scholastically or academically, nothing has been handed out on a satin-



lined pillow, at least I have not found it so. Although my name didn't head the Dean's list, I've enjoyed each course and will continue to profit much by putting into practice the knowledge gained. The B.A. degree which I expect to receive in June will be used for the furtherance of His blessed work. "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me." I Cor. 9:16.

The spiritual emphasis at Bryan has been one of learning to depend upon the Lord. Still further blessings that will never be forgotten are the fellowship of other born-again Christians and the spiritual atmosphere of classroom and campus.

## FORMAL TEAS ENHANCE UNIVERSITY SOCIAL LIFE

Social life at Bryan this year was accentuated by several teas. To honor the senior class, the University social committee gave a student and faculty tea Sunday afternoon, April 8, in the student lounge. All students, faculty, staff, and local trustees and their wives were invited to the tea.

To give the girls in the dormitory an opportunity to get better acquainted with one another and with the ladies of the faculty and staff, Miss Kathleen Cowan, Dean of Women, was hostess to a number of teas during January and February.

## THORNTON, SCHWARZE MAKE CHAPEL APPEARANCES

Dr. C. Theodore Schwarze, professor emeritus, New York University, and well-known scientist and Bible teacher, was guest speaker for a series of chapel lectures, April 10 through April 13, in which he treated the following subjects: "Endurance under Persecution," "The Coming Judgment," "Instructions for This Age," and "Incompetence of the Flesh."

In addition to being available for personal interviews, Dr. Schwarze addressed several regular class sessions. As an author he has to his credit such publications as "The Harmony of Science and the Bible," and "The Origin of Man and the Theories of Evolution."

At their annual banquet, the Science Club, *Gnosis Christo*, featured Dr. Schwarze, who spoke on the pertinent topic, "The Future of the A-Bomb and the H-Bomb."

Dr. J. B. Thornton, whose main objective is to help young people depend on the Lord, recently brought several devotional messages to the student body. Pastor Thornton, from St. Louis, is a trustee of the university, and has made annual visits to the school for several years.

Having been a missionary to India and Japan, Pastor Thornton has had much experience in presenting Christ to others. At present he is pastor-at-large for the Hope Church in St. Louis.

## MARCH GIFT INCOME

### OPERATING FUND:

M. S. M. .... \$ 414.00  
Other Sources .... 4,599.44

Total Operating  
for March ..... \$5,013.44

### PLANT FUND:

Designated Gifts \$1,193.15  
M. S. M. .... 247.36  
Non-Cash Gift .. 815.83

Total Plant for March 2,256.34  
BOTH FUNDS

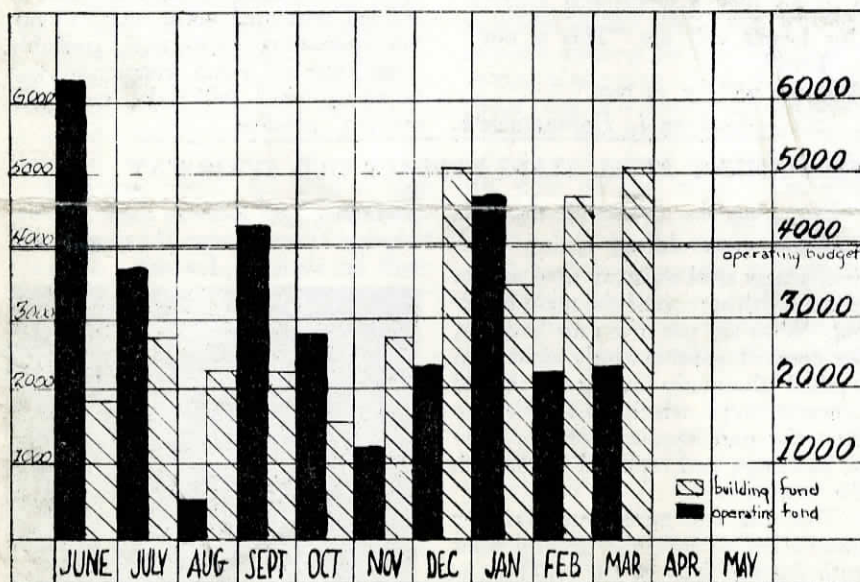
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